

Academic Libraries Section

KLA Quarterly Board Report

To: KLA Board
From: James E. Manasco, Chair, Academic Section
Date: September 28, 2011

I. Conferences:

A. Joint Spring Conference: The Joint Spring Conference was held at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Presonsburg, KY April 13-15, 2011. Approximately 100 attendees and included two staffed vendor booths. Keynote speakers were Ruth Kneale, Systems Librarian at the National Solar Observatory in Tucson, Arizona and Leslie Reynolds from Texas A&M. Our pre-conference speaker was Mike Crumpton from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro who presented on "Maintaining a Professional Presence." Reviews were generally positive and the conference made nearly \$3000 for the three cooperating units.

The proceedings for the conference are available at:
<http://units.sla.org/chapter/cky/jscproceedings.html>

B. KLA Fall 2011: Christian J. Miller was the featured speaker for Academic Section. Christian Miller is the Reference, Instruction and Outreach Coordinator at the Martin P. Catherwood Library in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University. The Catherwood Library is renowned as one of the top libraries in the world collecting information on work and workplace issues and his interests include the library as a workplace. He also has served on numerous campus-wide library committees and is the current Chair of the Academic Division of the Special Libraries Association. Christian's session title was: "Fostering Innovation and Creativity: What Libraries Can Learn from Second City."

II. Chair's Activities:

A. ALA Legislative Day: The Chair attended the ALA Legislative Day trip to Washington DC May 8-11, 2011, accompanying a large delegation from Kentucky's Libraries.

B. Resignation of Chair-Elect Sandy Farrell. Sandy Farrell resigned the position as Chair-Elect effective July 30, 2011. In accordance with the bylaws, a replacement was selected by the Executive Board of the Section. Sara Brown from Ashland Community and Technical College has assumed the role of Chair-Elect effective August 1, 2011. She will

assume the Chair at the end of the Academic Section Business Meeting on Thursday September 29, 2011.

III. **Awards:**

A. A recipient for the Outstanding Academic Librarian for 2011 was selected by the Awards Committee and will be acknowledged during the Awards Luncheon.

IV. **Professional Development Committee:**

A. A recipient for the Professional Development Grant was selected and will be announced during the Academic Section Business Meeting on Thursday September 29.

V. **Nominating Committee:**

A. The Nominating Committee will be putting forward a slate of officers including nominees for the Chair-Elect and Treasurer positions at the Academic Section Business Meeting on Thursday September 29.